

Beecher and the Dangers of Despising.

St. THOMAS' CHURCH.—This church was in the morning yesterday filled with a large and fashionable assemblage. The services were performed by the assistant clergyman, Rev. Joseph H. Jowitt, now in full charge during the absence of the rector, Rev. Dr. Morgan, in Europe. Rev. Dr. Osgood preached on the Trinity—the subject of the day—basing his discourse on various passages selected from Matthew and the Acts of the Apostles. At the close of the service a large collection was

There was an illiberal spirit which refused to take any account of the right of dissent from the majority. The product of men or bodies of men who made no admission of the existence of anything precisely the same creed in the same words as others. Christians ought to exercise charity in all things. There was also an illiberal spirit which refused to accept the proposed terms of communion not found in the Gospel. But on the contrary, he contended that at least one of the great religions had believed and maintained the Bible as the supreme rule of life, and its precepts were not subject to the whimsicalities of illiberal Rationalism in any form. He said that book, while liberalism of various sorts perverted it to justify its own preconceived opinions.

A conscientious but charitable persistence in

SOUTH CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH.
Dr. Lyman's Sermon on the Permission
of Calamity.
Dr. Albert J. Lyman preached to a large number of persons at the South Congregational church, Court street, Brooklyn, yesterday morning, about the terrible disaster at Williamsburgh, Mass. Next Sunday morning a collection is to be taken for the relief of the sufferers.

It is a great book—perhaps, on the whole, the greatest. It contains the literature of a single

When as the bishops and all the clergy, it was his
 duty to preach the sermon, and thus to
 the people, he would not fail to do so, and
 in preaching the Word of God, they must
 take Christ as their example. They must
 not expect success to follow when they
 had preached an eloquent discourse from
 the pulpit. They would not succeed by
 teaching alone. The Christian minister must be
 faithful to his vocation, and must be ex-
 ert in house to house, and thus comply with
 the injunction given him. They must be "instant
 in season, out of season." Christ was always doing
 some act of benevolence and mercy, and so should

ministry of the Forsyth street Methodist Episcopal church has been continued during the past year with great success and interest. The annual conference was held in the vicinity of the seventeenth street Methodist Episcopal church, and Rev. C. Scherr, a German preacher, has been invited and taught in the German language in the vicinity of the Cornhill Memorial church. The past year has been generally a year of successful work. Conversions have been numerous, churches and schools have been made by the strengthening, support of the society to make it better known and its subjects more clearly understood among our Methodist congregations, and they are endeavoring to do more for the poor. It will require \$42,000 to defray the current expenses of the coming year.